

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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**In the Matter of the Application of:** BARKUS  
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Sir:

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